

## Secretary-General: "Welcome to 2002 AMUN International Conference"



ession at the AMUN 2001 Conference. This year's AMUN will have approximately 1,100 participants in attendance. spans nearly the full breadth of toppening SHANNON L. DUNN they have ever been. Secretary-General

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to American Model United Nations International (AMUN). The issues and challenges facing the delegations at the AMUN Conference are as crucial as

AMUN is proud to commemorate our 13<sup>th</sup> year in Chicago, a truly world class city with cultural attractions of international renown. Please take some time during your visit to enjoy our city's world famous museums, fine dining, engaging street life, and enticing nightlife. However, please remem-

ber to remove your nametag when you leave the hotel.

> Our goal over the next four days is to provide you with a learning experience unavailable anywhere else an experience no classroom can provide.

In the next four days, you will serve as the distinguished representatives of your UN Member State. Your goal is to promote the interests of your government while striving to uphold the principles of the United Nations Charter. You will find yourself confronting people, concepts and principles that pose direct challenges to your pursuit of that goal. But diplomacy will provide the tools to address these challenges.

Our agenda at AMUN this year ics that the organs of the United Nations are considering today - from fundamental issues of human rights to economic development and social equality. The General Assembly will attempt to address issues affecting every UN Member State, ranging from the proliferation of weapons that destroy people to the proliferation of drugs that destroy families and communities. The Economic and Social Council will pursue its mandate of dealing with economic development and social well-being. The International Court of Justice will attempt to bring legal order to a sometimes chaotic world. The Security Council will strive to end wars and piece together broken nations.

Please take the time to familiarize yourself with the layout of the hotel before your first committee or council sessions meet. This will help you to avoid delays in arriving at your committee sessions. Free coffee and tea service will be available in the mornings on each conference level to provide you with the gentle lift you need to effectively conduct international diplomacy.

After months of preparations, you have arrived to tackle the issues facing the world today. Crafting policies and solutions that will have a positive effect on the global community and will be acceptable by a consensus of the Member States, is a daunting task. The challenge of diplomacy is one of the greatest placed before each Member State of the United Nations.

I know that each of you is up to the task that lies before you and I hope you find the process, not just the end result, rewarding.

Representatives collaborate to present a resolution in committee at AMUN 2001. At the UN, post resolutions are presented with bloc support.



Staff members work in small groups during the Labor Day Training Meeting.

Where do I go? AMUN is open for business

Visit **Delegate Services** in the New Orleans Room: · Type and print resolutions · Get copies of documents

Visit Home Government in the San Francisco Room: Topic information · Country information · Role playing assistance

**Blue Badge: Yet Another Way to Experience AMUN** What does the AMUN Secretariat do? Read on! **RYAN DONOVAN** ment or Delegate Services, you Under-Secretary-General for Administration

It is never too early to think about next year. Believe it or not, planning for next year's Conference begins shortly after opening plenary ends. One of the first steps AMUN takes in preparation for the 2003 Conference is selecting the all-volunteer Secretariat.

Whether you are a graduating senior or a first-time participant at AMUN, if you enjoy your experience here we would like to encourage you to consider applying for the Secretariat. The AMUN Secretariat is comprised of 60-70 people from a variety of backgrounds. Undergraduate, graduate and law students, lawyers and other professionals all serve on Staff, and most trace their history with AMUN back to their days as representatives. In many respects, serving on the AMUN Secretariat is a valuable way to experience Model UN - it can also be a lot of fun!

How do I know if joining the Secretariat is right for me? If you enjoy Model UN and

should talk to anyone wearing a blue badge. Ask them about their experience on Staff - you'll find us a very friendly bunch and always willing to talk about joining Staff. After you hear about what

draws us to the AMUN Secre-Representative at the AMUN Conference, but you can still help your school prepare for the Conference. For graduating seniors, this can be an excellent opportunity to extend a Model UN career.

If I am selected for the Secretariat, what will be required of me?

Blood, sweat and tears. No, just kidding. Producing a wellrun, professional Model UN Conference takes a lot of work there is no question about that. But, it can also be a lot of fun too. If you are selected for the Secretariat, you will be given a pre-Conference assignment and an at-Conference assignment. Pre-Conference assignments primarily involve conducting research for use in the Issues at AMUN



AMUN Secretariat members in the Committee/Council working group undergo extensive rules a chairing training during AMUN's annual Labor Day staff training weekend.

ence assignments are divided into the different Conference departments: Committee / Council, International Court of Justice, International Press Delegation, Home Government, Simulation Staff, Delegate Services, and Conference Services.

AMUN Secretariat members are required to attend a training session over Labor Day weekend held in the suburbs of Chicago. At the training session, new and returning Staffers go through the same training involving the philosophy of AMUN, the operation of the Conference and something we like to call "SimA-MUN." SimAMUN provides us an opportunity to practice our at-Conference assignments. In fact, as the name suggests, it is a simulation of AMUN! As important

other socially.

Finally, you will be asked to arrive at least one day early for the Conference. Prior to the Conference's beginning, the AMUN Secretariat does more training and more SimAMUN. We want to make sure that we know our jobs and that we know how to do them well.

What do I do if I am interested in joining Staff?

If you think you might be ready to apply for the Secretariat, approach any member of the Secretariat. They can give you a Staff application - or tell you where you can find one. Staff applications can also be found at Conference Services - where you will find blue-badged Secretariat members who will be happy to answer any questions you have. We hope you will consider applying, and I look forward to working with you next year!

tariat, think about whether it is right for you. As a member of the Secretariat, you cannot be a

· Request a role player

Visit the Conference Services Desk in the Regency Foyer: · AMUN collectibles

· AMUN Staff applications · Copies of AMUN materials · Information about Chicago

Visit the **Finance/Registration** Desk in the Atlanta Room: · 2003 Country Lottery sign-up · Credential assistance

Visit the International Press **Delegation** in the Atlanta Room: · Submit press releases · Submit personal ads · Schedule a press conference

you think you might want to join Staff - either as dais personnel, as a member of Home Govern-

handbook; other pre-Conference assignments involve publicity and outreach to schools. At-Confer-

**NEW AND EXCITING THIS YEAR!** Come to Conference Services and Check Out All

of the Exciting AMUN International Sales Items!

We have two new and exciting items this year!

First, for those of you that have trouble keeping track of your hotel key, cash, and nametag (as we all do), come check out the new nametag holders at Conference Services! For only \$5 you too can have one of these handy little AMUN items.

Second, we have the coolest thing for all those that love to laze about on Sunday in nothing but flannel! Yes ladies and gentlemen, come and get your AMUN flannel pajama pants! They are limited in number and at \$25 a pair they will be going fast, so first-come, first-served!

If you stop by Conference Services, you may also find such fun things as squishy globes (clearly not to be thrown at the dais!), AMUN pens, UN keychains and flags, plastic cups, and fabulously fancy glass tumblers. Oh, and we almost forgot to mention: T-SHIRTS, T-SHIRTS, T-SHIRTS!

### Home Government: Come and Visit us!

as the work we do at Labor Day

is, the Secretariat also takes plen-

ty of time to get to know each

### **CHANDRA LINTON**

Director-General, Home Government

- ✤ Need to find that last integral piece of research that will drive home your argument?
- Never heard of the document everyone in your committee is talking about?
- ✤ Just a little bit confused about your country's position?

Home Government, located in the San Francisco room on the Regency Ballroom level, can help. As the conference's substantive information center, Home Government can assist in providing answers to questions that arise during conference. By submitting an information request, representatives can ask one of our experienced researchers to locate documents to help guide policy discussions.

Another option is to request a briefing, which consists of a one on one discussion with a Home Government staff member to more fully explore complicated topics. Home Government can also provide briefings for your entire committee or provide role players for unrepresented countries, non-governmental organizations, and parties to the dispute.

For more information on role players, please ask your dais staff or simulation director. Home Government will be open during all sessions, as well as meal breaks, so please stop by to explore what we have to offer.

### **New Sessions for AMUN Faculty Advisors**

Based on requests from Faculty Advisors (FAs) at previous AMUN Conferences, this year we will feature two sessions intended for and coordinated by FAs at the Conference. The sessions are:

Faculty Session I, Sunday, 10:00 - 11:00 am: What is the "Best" Form of Model UN Organization for Your School - Club, Team or Credit Course?

Faculty Session II, Monday, 6:30 - 7:30 pm: Sharing Best Practices for model UN Classes

Both sessions will be held in the Gold Coast room on the Concourse Level.

These discussions will be led by panelists drawn from our faculty ranks and we hope that all FAs at the Conference will participate. There are no "right" answers to the questions presented in these workshops, but rather, a wide range of ways to accomplish our mutual goals and many great ideas that can be shared with others. These sessions are intended to provide a forum for that exchange.

AMUN is pleased to provide this opportunity for informative sessions which are specific to faculty interests. We always welcome suggestions for future faculty session topics.

### WANT COFFEE? HOW ABOUT FREE COFFEE?

AMUN is pleased to announce that the Hyatt Regency Chicago will provide all AMUN participants with complimentary coffee and tea service on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday mornings of the Conference.

While not all Representatives are staying at the Hyatt this year, we hope that having coffee available in the mornings will save everyone a little time, allowing you to have your morning coffee before and at the opening of sessions.

Coffee will be available outside of the main committee/council rooms (Regency, Crystal and Columbus ballrooms) each morning starting at 8:00 am. Please note that no food is provided with this service.

### THE UNITED NATIONS AGENDA COVERS HUNDREDS OF ISSUES EACH YEAR.

### WHICH ONES SHOULD WE DISCUSS AT AMUN IN 2003?

We're always looking to the future -- come to the meeting of the Committee on the Agenda and contribute your suggestions!

The Committee on the Agenda will meet on Tuesday, 26 November at 11:00 am in Stetson Room F (down the stairs across from the Home Government office). If possible, AMUN recommends that each school send a representative to this important meeting.

### **Delegate Services Copy Policy**

#### 10 cents per copy

25 copies of the same page for \$1 if there is a duplicator available Once a resolution is ready to bring to the floor of a committee/council staff, copies for all delegations will be made available free

of charge. If you type a resolution on your laptop and wish to import it into the AMUN resolution system, a prerequisite for bringing a resolution to the floor, please save your resolution as a plain text document. This can be done by selecting the "Save as" option under most word processors and selecting "plain text" as the file type.

Unfortunately, the Delegate Services Office does not have Internet connections available.

### **Attention: Permanent Representatives, Faculty Advisors**

AMUN strongly believes that the best way to improve the Conference is to listen to the people who matter the most, the Representatives. We are always open to new ideas on ways to improve the Conference, and are interested in getting your opinion at every opportunity.

This is the driving philosphy behind our two Permanent Representative meetings. All Permanent Representatives and Faculty Advisors are welcome to come to these meetings. AMUN always welcomes suggestions and comments, and this is the best opportunity for schools to interact with senior AMUN Staff in a relaxed setting conducive to sharing and brainstorming new concepts.

We look forward to seeing all Permanent Representatives and Faculty Advisors at the meetings, to be held in the Toronto Room:

- The first meeting, held on Sunday from 2:00 3:00 p.m., is intended to discuss any matters relating to AMUN rules and procedures throughout the simulations. Please bring all questions and comments regarding rules to this meeting.
- The second meeting, held on Monday from 10:00 11:00 a.m., will address any other logistical or preparatory issues.

As always, feel free to see a member of the AMUN Executive Committee at any time to share your feedback.

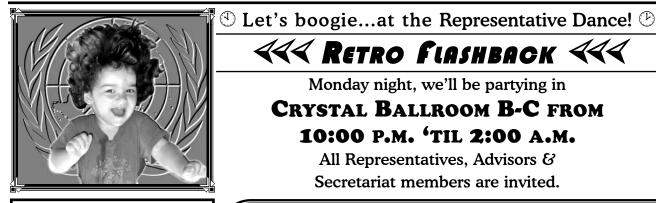
### **2003 Country Lottery**

The lottery for AMUN 2003 will be held on Monday, 25 November 2002, at 11:00 a.m. Take the first step toward getting the country of your choice and sign up now. There is a \$50 non-refundable deposit per country required at the time of application, and it will be applied toward your school's 2003 fees.

As an added incentive to all lottery participants, any school which registers through the lottery will receive a \$5 per delegate discount on all delegate fees for the 2003 AMUN Conference. The AMUN 2003 Conference dates are 22-25 November 2003. At the conclusion of the lottery, all future delegation assignments will be on a firstcome, first-served basis.

Please direct any questions about this lottery process to the Secretary-General, who can be reached through the Conference Services Desk in the ballroom lobby.

Lottery applications and country lists are available from the Conference Services Desk and are due to the Registration/Finance Office (Atlanta Room) by Monday at 11:00 am.



Monday night, we'll be partying in

**CRYSTAL BALLROOM B-C FROM** 

444 Retro Flashback 444

# AMUN COLLECTIBLES On sale at the Conference Services Desk

We accept MasterCard and Visa for purchases of \$10 or more.

APPAREL:	
Pajama Pants	\$25
Short Sleeve T-Shirts	\$13
Long Sleeve T-Shirts	\$15

#### LIQUID CONTAINERS:

Logo Cups	\$2 or 3 for \$5
Thermal Cups	\$4 or 2 for \$7
AMUN Glassware	\$5

#### THE UNITED NATIONS VIDEO SERIES

Series I: The General Assembly \$44.95 Series II: The UN & Terrorism/ *The UN & Financing* \$44.95 Series III: The UN & Women/ The UN & Racism \$44.95 Discounts are available on multiple series purchases. \* Save on shipping costs by buying at the Conference!

#### **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:**

Badge Holders	\$5
Candy	\$1
Mouse Pads	\$5
Squishy Globes	\$3 or 2 for \$5
Pens	\$1

FROM THE UNITED NATIONS:	
Flags With Bases	\$5 or 3 for \$12
Key Chains	\$5
Postcards	\$0.50 or 5 for \$2
Postcalus	\$0.30 01 3 101 \$2

#### **AMUN HANDBOOKS:**

### 10:00 P.M. 'TIL 2:00 A.M.

All Representatives, Advisors &

Secretariat members are invited.

Issues at AMUN \$1 AMUN Rules and Procedures \$1

\*\* Come check out our themed discount packages! \*\*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Remember that you must wear your credentials at all times while in the hotel. However, it is very important to take off your credentials before you leave the hotel. Wearing your credentials outside the hotel brands you as a tourist, and could cause problems.
  - The Hyatt Regency Chicago is a non-smoking facility. Smoking is only permitted outside the hotel. Please respect our host facility by observing these instructions.
  - For your enjoyment, and in the spirit of diplomatic courtesy to other guests of the hotel, the Toronto Room is available for you to caucus and socialize after hours. The Toronto Room is open for informal caucusing and socializing after 10:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The Toronto Room is on the Regency Ballroom Level. Note that no glass containers are allowed on the conference levels of the hotel at any time.
  - Please observe diplomatic courtesy during conference hours; turn all pagers and wireless phones to the silent setting, and mute your laptop computer volume.
  - For information on what there is to do in Chicago, please see Conference Services.

Editor: **Publisher:** 

**Publication Policy:** 

INTERNATIONAL

PRESS DELEGATION

Jason Fulp

Adam D. Wolfe

Editorials, Press Releases and Personals to the AMUN Daily Chronicle should be submitted, in writing, to the IPD Office in the Atlanta Room. Any topic concerning the Conference or world issues is acceptable.

submissions must be All legible to be accepted. The Secretariat reserves the right to accept, edit or reject all submissions.